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MEDIA ADVISORY

WHO: Energy, a Division of the Mississippi Development Authority

concludes series of mini-tours to promote Energy Awareness

Month with Pearl River Resort Energy Tour.

WHAT: Planned activity to highlight the energy projects of the Mississippi

Band of Choctaw Indians. The tour will feature energy diversity in

transportation, industrial development and advancements in

technology.

WHEN: Tuesday, October 29, 2002

WHERE: Motor coach departs Woolfolk State Office Building at 8:00 a.m.

and will depart the Pearl River Resort at 2:30 p.m.

WHY: Governor Ronnie Musgrove issued a proclamation October 1st

declaring October as "Energy Awareness Month" as part of the Mississippi Development Authority's observance of the U.S. Department of Energy's October Energy Awareness Month

Program, 'Energy: Securing Our Future.' Throughout the month the Energy Division of MDA has sponsored or participated in various activities and educational programs to increase awareness of the

role energy plays in Mississippi's economy.

Transportation, the tour and lunch are being offered at no charge to the public.

Seating on the motor coach is limited and reservations are required.

For additional details or to register for the tour, please contact: Jim Becker or Harriett with the Mississippi Development Authority.

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8:00 a.m. Jackson Tour and Travel motor coach departs the Woolfolk State Office Building, Northwest street entrance.

8:30 a.m. Tour #1 for individuals at SilverStar, Hybrid Electric Bus leaves the SilverStar, east entrance, for the comprehensive tour of the Mississippi Choctaw Pearl River Communities describing:

Industrial Sites

The CHAHTA Energy Project
The Automated Robotics (Manufacturing Retrofit) Energy Project
Governmental Facilities
Educational Facilities – The School Energy Management Plan
Transportation – The Choctaw Transit Facility
Resort Amenities

Woolfolk State Office Building

9:45 a.m. Refreshments at the Hollywood Stars and Cars exhibition East entrance (Retail Promenade) of the SilverStar
10:15 a.m. Tour #2 Hybrid Electric Bus the exhibition for Jackson group tour arriving
12:00 p.m. Luncheon at the Villa restaurant, west entrance to the Silver Star
2:00 p.m. Tour of the Galaxey restaurant and observation deck atop the Golden Moon Hotel and Casino
2:30 p.m. Jackson Tour and Travel motor coach departs Golden Moon for